

Mary Lou (Pharis) Swinter

Memorial service for Mary Lou (Pharis) Swinter, 69, Denver, Colo., and formerly of Putney, will be Friday, Aug. 10, 2001, 10:30 a.m. at the United Methodist Church in Groton with Pastor Dennis Gellhaus officiating. Internment will follow at the Groton Union Cemetery under the direction of Spitzer-Osthus Funeral Home. Mary Lou died Sunday, July 29, 2001, at the Aberdeen Living Center.

Mary Lou Pharis was born August 11, 1931, at Putney, to Harry and Evelyn (Bonde) Pharis, Sr. This is the area where she grew up and attended school. She graduated from Groton High School in 1949. She then attended the School of medical Technology in Minneapolis and after graduation, she moved to Denver. On February 14, 1954, she married Bruce Swinter at Groton. They made their home in Denver where she worked for Dr. D.S. Mitchel for several years and then worked for a group of doctors until she retired.

She was a member of the Bunko/Bridge clubs and an avid Denver Bronco Fan. She attended West Bowles Community Church in Littleton, Colo.

Mary Lou is survived by two brothers, Harry (Gloria) Pharis and Larry (Barbara) Pharis, Groton; a sister, Char (Spud) Barber, Aberdeen; special family, Karla (Pharis) Pasteur and her daughters, Jessica and Ali, and several nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents, brother, Roland, and an infant brother, Charles.